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Bernard E.S.C. alias Eugen WILMANN and Georg GROSS,
possible Soviet agents.

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1. We believe the following will be of interest to the British and we are interested in receiving the results of any investigation initiated by them;

A. According to an unevaluated report, one Bernard MENSCHEL alias Eugen WILMANN, is an RIS agent. MENSCHEL, who previously lived in Berlin, CG-70 Doenitzweg, allegedly went to the Soviet Sector in February 1950. His wife, Lisa, who left him on 1 February and went to Braunschweig, is reported to have received a letter from MENSCHEL, dated 20 February and postmarked Halle, in which he states he has had Soviet connections for a long time and is now working for them.

B. The report also states that Georg GROSS, 26 Wilhelmstrasse, Braunschweig, traveled to the Sovzone every four weeks, where he was in contact with the Soviets, and that GROSS finally remained in the Sovzone (March 1950). He reportedly revealed to the Soviets information on the activities of Guenther HEINZ and a (further) POMERKO, former Abwehr member, who resides in Braunschweig.

2. The unwitting source of the above report is alleged to be Guenther HEINZ alias Heinz ANDERS (cousin of Lisa MENSCHEL), who lived in Braunschweig, 10 Scharhorstrasse, and who was convicted and imprisoned by the British in August 1949 for possession of firearms, two kennkarten, and blackmarketing.

3. Since the report is dated March 1950, when HEINZ alias ANDERS was presumably still in prison, we are interested in learning when he was released and whether the British have any knowledge as to his present whereabouts and activities.

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4. HINZ alias ADAMS and J. G. L. alias HILLMAN were dropped by American intelligence in the summer of 1949 for security reasons. HILLMAN reportedly was a source of HINZ. George GRASSO is reported to be a former British informant.

5. We are not in a position to obtain additional information on the above report.

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